

## **Tempe Public Art**



## **Kevin Berry**

Tempe Canal Monuments, 2009

Steel & river rock

Location:

Tempe Canal Multi-use Path

Artist Website: www.SouthMountainStudios.com

Photo: Kevin Berry

**Description:** Tempe Canal Monuments are inspired by the functionally engineered canal gates and grates. The monuments are meant to symbolically mark the entryway points to the canal, creating a visual language that is inspired by the same type of steel grating used to sift debris from the canal.

Artist biography: Born in Missouri in 1961, Kevin Berry received a Bachelor of Fine Art in Sculpture from the Kansas City Art Institute in 1983, and a Master of Fine Arts in Sculpture from Arizona State University in 1987. He has completed numerous public art projects throughout the country, and has also shown in many prestigious art galleries in Arizona. Berry actively exhibits his work in group and solo shows, and his artwork belongs to many private and public collections. In addition, Berry has also published several distinguished papers on the topics of art and sculpture.

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